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A NEW Psycho-neurological Institute, under the direction of Professor Bechterev, was recently opened at St. Petersburg.

THE foundation stone of an Institute for the Study and Prevention of Infant Mortality was laid in Berlin in the presence of the German Empress on December 3.

A CRIMINOLOGICAL INSTITUTE is to be established in connection with the government prison at Buenos Aires. Particular attention will be paid to criminal psychology and forensic psychiatry.

THE seventh meeting of the International Congress of Criminal Anthropology will open at Turin on April 28, under the presidency of Professor Lombroso. Communications relating to the congress should be addressed to the Secretariate of the Congress, Instituto di Medicina Legale, Via Michelangelo, 26, Torino, Italy.

THE city of Paris has placed a building at the disposal of the International Hygienic Institute which is about to be established.

FOR the purpose of promoting the forestry industry in south Manchuria, the Chinese officials have engaged a Japanese expert from Tokyo to act as head master for the proposed school of forests at Mukden for a term of four years, with two Chinese gentlemen as his assistants; but, owing to the lack of funds, the school has not yet been opened.

THE government of Mysore has, according to foreign journals, made public the new rules for regulating the grant of scholarships for scientific research and technical education from the Damodar Dass charities fund. The scholarships will be open to all Indians who have taken with credit a degree in arts, medicine, or engineering in an Indian or other recognized university. Each candidate selected will be given traveling allowance to England or elsewhere from Bangalore on the completion of his course of study or research. He will be allowed, during his stay in England or elsewhere, outside India, a sum of 200*l.* per annum, this allowance to be inclusive of college fees, cost of books, instruments, and boarding charges.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

THE contract for the new biological and geological laboratory of Amherst College has been awarded and work will begin when the frost leaves the ground. The building should be completed by January 1, 1909.

MR. CULLOM presented to the senate on February 10 a resolution of the Association of American Universities assembled in convention at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed in the *Record*, as follows:

WHEREAS: The executive committee of the Latin-American Scientific Congress had determined to make the next congress "Pan-American" instead of "Latin-American"; and

WHEREAS: The Chilean government has extended an invitation to the government of the United States to participate in this congress, to assemble at Santiago, Chile, in December, 1908; and

WHEREAS: This congress will serve to bring the best thought and experience of America to bear on the great problems common to all the republics of this continent and will thus serve to strengthen the ties between the American nations: be it

*Resolved* by the Association of American Universities assembled in convention at Ann Arbor, Mich., That the Congress of the United States be earnestly requested to make provision for adequate representation at this forthcoming Pan-American Scientific Congress, as recommended in the report of Secretary Root of December 19, 1907, and in the special message of the President of December 21, 1907.

DR. R. W. STIMSON has resigned the presidency of the Connecticut Agricultural College to become president of Smith's Agricultural School, recently established at Northampton, Mass.

C. F. HARDING, a graduate of the electrical engineering department of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in the class of 1902, has been appointed professor of electrical engineering at Purdue University.

MR. L. BREBANT, M.A. Oxon., has been appointed assistant to the professor of moral philosophy in the University of St. Andrews.